Milford Town Library Board of Library Trustees Thursday, March 11, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Present: Ed Bertorelli, Sue Edmonds, Marco BonTempo, Ann Ragosta, Stephanie Abisla, Michael Conboy

- I. Call to Order Ed Bertorelli calls the meeting to order at 7:05pm.
- II. Approval of February 11 minutes, **Motion** to approve by Stephanie, second by Ann. Vote unanimous.
- III. Approval of Warrants: Ed read aloud the warrants, **Motion** to approve by Marco, second by Stephanie. Vote unanimous.
- IV. Invitation to Speak: None at this time.
- V. Appointments: None at this time.
- VI. Reports and Statistics:
 - a. Committee Reports: As distributed.
 - b. Staff Reports. As distributed.
 - c. Hill Garden Committee: None at this time.
 - d. Director Report: Sue mentions some of Dr. Suess' books are being banned or rewritten, there is no plan to remove these books at this moment. They are still planning the fence for outside. Seating has been adequate so there is no plan to add additional seating at the moment.

VII: Old Business:

- A. Budget update: As discussed.
- B. IT Update: Michael mentions two new staff printers, they are having trouble connecting to the network.
- C. Covid 19 Update: At 50% capacity currently. The staff has been on top of helping patrons. AARP has been running well also. Book sales have continues and they have been more pleasant since there are less people allowed in at a time.

VIII. New Business:

A. FY2022 Budget: They wanted the budget to remain under 2.5% from last year. The budget has to meet the mar to get state aid, it cannot go above. No salary increases for this budget will meet the mar. Sue says 13% of the current budget

must be spent to meet the state aid requirements. **Motion** to approve the budget without salary increases at \$1,372,364 by Stephanie, second by Marco. Vote Unanimous. Ed mentions the town was interested in doing a one-year extension of the contract with the 2.5% salary increase contingent upon the approval of the union to approve the budget of \$1,397,051. **Motion** to approve the other budget so there is no delay if that budget is accepted, by Stephanie, second by Marco. Vote Unanimous.

IX: Adjournment: **Motion** to adjourn at 7:35pm by Marco, second by Ann. Vote Unanimous. Next meeting April 8, 2021.